

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: LIAO et al. Docket No.: 372465-01801  
Serial No.: 10/784,113 Group Art Unit: 2676  
Filed: February 20, 2004 Examiner: Not yet assigned  
For: **APPROXIMATION OF LEVEL OF DETAIL CALCULATION IN CUBIC MAPPING  
WITHOUT ATTRIBUTE DELTA FUNCTION**

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a)  
INVENTOR REFUSES TO JOIN**

Dear Sir:

This is a Petition Alleging Refusal To Join under Rule 47(a) in the above-identified patent application.

1. Inventor Zhou (Mike) Hong's last known address is 11512 Country Spring Court, Cupertino, California 95014.
2. A copy of the application papers (specification, including claims, drawings, Declaration and Assignment) was sent on July 1, 2004, by Federal Express, to inventor Hong's last known address for signature. A copy of the Federal Express shipping label is attached as Exhibit A.
3. It appears that inventor Hong received the Federal Express shipment on July 2, 2004. Proof of delivery is attached as Exhibit B.
4. A cover letter was sent to inventor Hong indicating that the inventor should review the application and execute the provided Declarations and Assignments by July 14, 2004 (*See attached Exhibit C*).
5. The date for responding to the Notice of Missing Parts is July 14, 2004, and was clearly disclosed to inventor Hong in the cover letter.
6. As of the date of submission of this petition, inventor Hong has not responded in any way to the shipment, though such response by telephone, facsimile, or email was and is certainly available to inventor Hong. A prepared Federal Express shipping label

and envelope was provided for inventor Hong to return the requested documents (*See Exhibit D*).

7. The other named inventor, Qun Feng (Fred) Liao, has signed a declaration for the above-mentioned application which was filed with the original application on February 20, 2004. We are filing a copy of this declaration herewith.
8. Waiting beyond the July 14, 2004 deadline for the inventor to respond is incurring increasing costs to the client.

Therefore, the signing applicant Liao concludes that Mr. Hong, by his conduct, is refusing to join the above-application, and requests that the Office deem the application completed and ready for prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 16 2004



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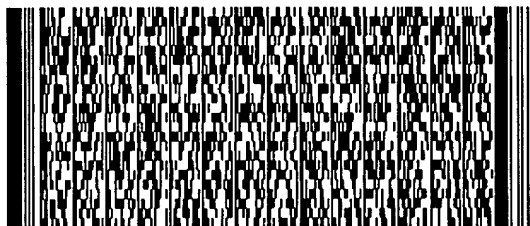
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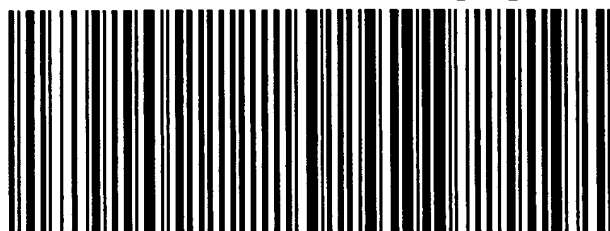
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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/784,113  
Filed: February 20, 2004  
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MAPPING WITHOUT ATTRIBUTE DELTA FUNCTION**  
Our Ref: 372465-01801 (344864)

Dear Mr. Hong:


The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has assigned the serial number and filing date indicated above to the subject patent application. However, because we filed the application without a signed Declaration, we have now received the enclosed Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. To complete the filing process, we must now file a Declaration, Power of Attorney & Petition which references the application by serial number and filing date. The deadline for complying with this directive is July 14, 2004.

As previously sent to you on February 9, 2004, enclosed is another copy of the subject application for review before you execute the three enclosed Declarations. We are also enclosing three Assignment documents to VIA Technologies, Inc. for your signature at the same time. Upon execution please forward these documents back to our office in the enclosed Federal Express envelope addressed to our office for your convenience.

Please note that the enclosed documents are of confidential and proprietary property of VIA Technologies, Inc. and should not be viewed by anyone other than yourself.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above, please feel free to me at 650.813.4856.

Very truly yours,

  
Anthony B. Diepenbrock IIIABD/yyo  
Enclosure

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